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**DIRECTOR'S OFFICE**

Attention: Federal Resources Office, Room 3500  
For Ross A. Chittenden, Transportation Programming

Dear Mr. Kempton:

SUBJECT: RURAL (NON-MPO) 2004/05-2006/07 FSTIP AMENDMENT NO. 3

We have completed our review of Amendment Number 3 to the rural non-Metropolitan Planning Organization (non-MPO) portion of the 2004/05-2006/07 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) that was submitted by your letter dated December 31, 2004. This FSTIP Amendment applies specifically to the FSTIP grouped project listings for the Hazard Elimination and Safety (HES) Program, the Public Lands Highway (PLH) Program and the Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation (HBRR) Program. This amendment increases the total Surface Transportation Program (STP) funding in the triennial element FSTIP for Hazard Elimination and Safety Program projects by \$934,000. The amendment also increases Public Lands Highway Program funding in the FSTIP triennial element by \$1.507 million, and increases Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation program funding and local transportation matching funds in the triennial element by \$2.457 million and \$4.038 million respectively. Collectively, this amendment increases the total amount of funds programmed in the 2004/05-2006/07 FSTIP by \$8.936 million.

We accept this amendment in accordance with 23 CFR Part 450 and find that the amendment is based on a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process in accord with the statewide planning provisions in 23 USC 135. The changes proposed to the FSTIP by this amendment are for non-regionally significant projects proposed for implementation in areas of the State of California that are designated as attainment or unclassified for Federal air quality standards and, as a consequence, are not subject to the requirement that a conformity determination be made. These findings have been coordinated with Region IX office of the Federal Transit Administration pursuant to the single mode amendment procedures outlined in the *Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal Highway Administration, California Division, and the Federal Transit Administration, Region IX*, dated July 15, 2004.



This letter constitutes joint Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration approval for the inclusion of Amendment Number 3 for the rural non-MPO areas of the State into California's 2004/05-2006/07 FSTIP. We have determined that this FSTIP Amendment does not adversely impact the FSTIP Financial Plan or the State's ability to demonstrate that the FSTIP is financially constrained.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gene K. Fong", written in a cursive style.

For  
Gene K. Fong  
Division Administrator